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Response Under 37 CFR 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 4, 2003, please amend this application as indicated on the following pages.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this paper and any attachments named herein are being deposited with the US Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on January 20, 2004.

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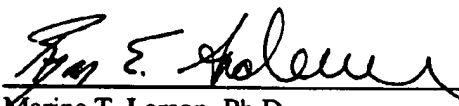
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In addition to the anticipation rejection the Examiner has rejected claims 3-10, 12-30, 60-70, and 72-76 under § 103 (a) as being obvious in view of McKee and Burns. The Examiner has further rejected claims 31-40, 43-57, and 77-95 under § 103 (a) as being obvious in view of McKee, Burns and Chase. It is believed that these rejections have been overcome with the aforementioned amendments. The primary reference of McKee makes no suggestion of the incorporation of a photoluminescent material within a lens or within a lens or bezel for automotive headlamp assemblies. Chase makes no suggestion of incorporating a fluorescent material within the bezel composition. Moreover, Chase makes no suggestion that its bezel emit light. Thus Chase does not provide an appropriate basis for an obviousness rejection. Since McKee, Burns and Chase are not an appropriate references, these objections are believed to be overcome.

In view of the foregoing argument, Applicants submit that the claims are not obvious over the cited combination of references. For these reasons, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Applicant also requests that the references listed on Substitute Form PTO-1449, which is enclosed, be made of record in the Patent Office file relating to the above captioned application. Copies of the references are provided herewith. Also, enclosed is the International Search Report dated 01/10/2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for filing this IDS and any other fee deemed do to Deposit Account 07-0862.

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